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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicant is enclosing an Information Disclosure Citation Form (PTO-1449) and a copy of the document cited therein.

It is respectfully requested that the cited document be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that the cited document be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent which may issue from this application.

The complete Japanese specification and its English abstract are provided herewith. In addition, the inventor wishes to point out a portion of the disclosure of JP 3-206613 that has been translated into English. The inventor also points out Fig. 1 as related to the present invention.

The English translation of the disclosure portion which the inventor wishes to highlight is presented below. This translation portion corresponds to the text within the red-ink rectangle on page (4) (lower page No. 62) of the copy of JP 3-206613 provided herewith.

"An output of an rf current may either be directly connected to an electrode 27 as is generally done, or connected to a cool storage unit 35 as shown in the drawing. In the latter case, since a narrow gap 33 of a heat transfer unit 30 has a large electrostatic capacity, an rf electric power is transferred to the electrode 27 through the narrow gap 33.

A control of a wafer temperature, when etching a wafer by employing an apparatus of an embodiment, is described."

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the present application, and therefore it is believed that no fees are due under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(i).

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